

**PATENT**Attorney Docket No. **DHI-03864****IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**In re Application of: **James L. Brown**Serial No.: **09/539,735**Filed: **03/30/00**Entitled: **DIAGNOSIS OF AUTOIMMUNE DISEASE**Group No.: **1644**Examiner: **P. Nolan****REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME****CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.8(a)(1)(i)(A)**

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